# Taft and Murphy Sell the Phillies—Local Athletes Score at Baltimore

# TAFT AND MURPHY **SELL THE PHILLIES**

Their Interests in National League Champions.

PRICE PAID IS BELIEVED **AROUND \$500,000 MARK** 

Real Estate Now Valued at Hall That Figure-Deal Swung by Fred Chandler.

PHILADELPHIA, February 12.-Vice President Fred T. WANTS TO SEE RECRUITS Chandler of the Philadelphia National League Club and a syndi- Seems to Fear Other Clubs Since Nacate of five millionaire bankers and clubmen of this city have bought the holdings of Charles P. Taft and Charles Webb Murphy in the Phillies and will take control of the club at once. The deal has taken down the "bargain sale" which eliminates Taft and Murphy from base ball and adds sev- the spring training trip has shown him eral more college men to the the exact valuation to be placed on the roster of ownership was clinched tract. at the recent meeting of the National League in New York.

The details of the sale have not three big banquets. He said he had a been made public, as Mr. Chand- also picked up some valuable informaler wants to wait until the papers tion regarding the other National are formally turned over to him League clubs he will have to beat for before he announces the price paid and the complete list of new owners. However, it will mark another epoch in the fortunes of the Phillies, for it brings the vencrable National League franchise in this city back into the hands of local capital. The men who are associated with Mr. Chandler are Walter Clothier, prominent clubman, and William H. T. Huhn, the banker; S. P. Huhn, Clarence Wolf and E. L. Hynneman.

### Taft Interests Large.

The Taft interests in the Phillies represent 51 per cent of the stock. The original price paid for this when Taft Horace Fogel in charge as president in 1909 was said to be \$5500,000.

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Murphy, several years ago, the club
changed hands. William Locke, for
many years secretary of the Pittsburgh club, was placed in charge,
and when Locke died William F. Baker,
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charge of affairs.

him, and it is due to Chandler's enterprise and civic patriotism that the Phillies come back to ownership here. been conducted with a secrecy that has really been remarkable. Chandler quietly gathered his syndicate, and while the price involved is a matter that has not been made public, the value of the club with its realty should at least be around \$500,000 or \$600,000. The Phillies last year for the first time in the thirty-eight years of their history won a pennant in the National League, and the club starts its second year under Manager Pat Moran with great playing and financial prospects. The first inkling that something was in the wind came at the meeting last week of the National League in New York. Messrs. Chandler, Huhn and Clothier were constantly together and met the Taft and Murphy representatives in secret. The deal was closed then, but until the final papers were closed the new owners preferred to keep matters strictly quiet.

One little incident at the meeting hinted at the change in ownership. Johnny Evers, the second baseman of the Boston Braves, and Joe Tinker, new manager of the Chicago Cubs, were standing in conversation. Clothier came along and went up to Evers and been conducted with a secrecy that has

This is Mr. Evers, isn't it? Well.

Mr. Clothier, one of the owners of
Philadelphia club."

### Ball Players Wised Ut

The ball players shook hands with the new magnate and almost immediately Mr. Huhn came upon the trio. Clothier introduced his partner to Evers and Tinker, saying: "This is Mr. Huhn, one of the owners also."

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The news that the Chandler syndicate had obtained the control of the Phillies, however, has been percolating through financial circles. One of the biggest men in the street told a base ball writer yesterday that he should see Fred Chandler and get the news about buying the Phillies.

Walter Clothier, one of the new owners, refused to discuss the details tonight, when seen at the Racquet Club. "When are you and the rest of the syndicate going to take over the Phillies." he was asked.

"Oh, I don't know; see Chandler about that; he knows about it; get him and he'll tell you, if you talk to him."

Further than that Clothier would not go.

PIRATES' SPRING WORK.

Start at Dawson Springs, Ky., and

Wind Up at Hot Springs. PITTSBURGH, February 12 .- Ofcials of the Pittsburgh base ball club announced late today that the Pirates will again do their spring training at Philadelphia Capitalists Buy Hot Springs, Ark. The team will arrive there March 17 and will remain until April 3. Preliminary work will be done at Dawson Springs, Ky., where the players will gather March 11. The pitchers and catchers will be sent a week in advance. Leaving Hot Springs the team will play games at Memphis. Tenn., April 4-5; at Louisville, April 6-7; at Indianapolis, -pril 8-9. The team opens the Natonal League season at St. Louis April 12.

# TINKER IS CAUTIOUS

Not to Further Cut Cub Squad Until After Training.

tional League Meeting

in New York.

CHICAGO, February 12 .- Joe Tinker sign and will make no more trades of write out any more releases until after thirty players he now has under con

Joe returned today from New York, where he attended the annual meeting of the National League and two or the pennant. He said he intended tak-

#### Will Cut Pay Roll.

He also said that it is his intention to twenty-one limit as possible, as he does not figure he can use more than that number, and players are too expensive to be kept hanging around as ornaments. This means he will let about eight of them go after the training trip is ended.

Joe ventures the prediction that Chi-

"I am not counting on the Phillies to repeat. Alexander, the mainstay of

when Horace Fogel was forced out of base ball along with Charles W. Murphy, several years ago, the club, finished lame after another season of overwork, and I doubt if he will be nearly as effective next season agers. Not so. Not so. During the 1915 campaign. And even should he go to the post and when Locke died William F. Baker, the present head of the club, took charge of affairs.

Civic Pride a Factor.

Fred T. Chandler was associated with him, and it is due to Chandler's enterprise and civic patriotism that the

ing touches in rounding out a wonder-ful combination is a steady, hard-hitting catcher. The acquisition of Knetzer, Allen and Konetchy was a ten-strike for Stallings. Add Knetzer and Allen to the 1915 staff, headed by Rudolph, Tyler and Nehf, and you can see how formidable the Boston hurling department will appear.

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"New York has assembled a wonderful outfield, but McGraw still needs a good catcher, and I am not sure that his pitching corps will measure up on even terms with those of the Cubs, Dodgers and Braves.

"Callahan has not yet completed a number of deals which if they go through certainly will put the Pirates in the running. At present, however, Pittsburgh does not appear to be a first division contender."

Winston Defeats Dana for Squash

### EASTERN SPEED SKATING.

#### R. T. Logan, Montreal, Wins Quar ter and Mile Events.

NEWBURG, N. Y., February 12.-R. T. Logan of Montreal won the honors today in the eastern speed skating championships here by taking of the Harvard Club. the quarter and one mile events on an eightslap track. Walter Keuhne of New York was the victor in the halfmile, and Archie Rogers of Arlington in the five-mile handicap. The sum-

A. C., won; Keuhne, New York A. C., second

and Donald M. Baker, New York A. C., third. Time, 9,43 1-5.

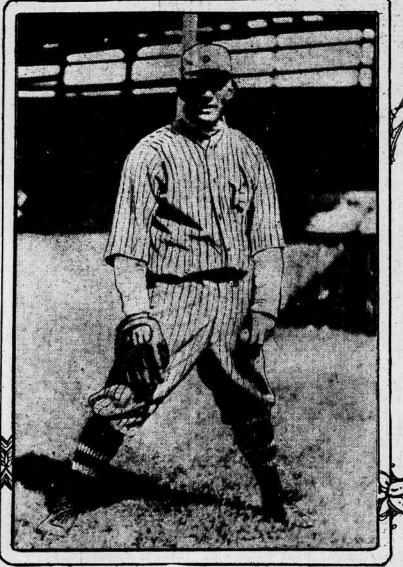
Half-mile championship—Keuhne, New York A. C., woos: Joe Miller, New York A. C., second, and Archie Rogers, Arlington, third. Time, 1:32 4-4.

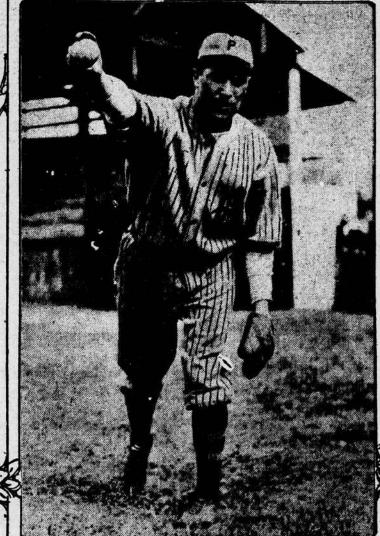
One-mile championship—Logan, Montreal, won; William Taylor, New York A. C., second, and George Pickering, Riverside, S. C., third. Time, 3:30 2-5.

Five-mile handicap—Rogers, Arlington (75 yards), won: Pickering, Riverside, Sr C. (100 yards), second, and Charles Schmidt, Feerless, S. C. (15 yards), third. Time, 18:17 1-5.

### Baltimore Bowlers Are Dined.

Local Knights of Columbus bowlers lumbus bowlers of Baltimore at a banTRIO OF FEDS WHO HAVE BEEN PURCHASED BY BOSTON BRAVES FOR \$18,000.





FRANK ALLEN.

# RECORD FOR HERZOG

Will Be Only Playing Manager in Big Leagues This Year.

TINKER AND HUGGINS QUIT

Carrigan Also to Stick to Bench, But Reds' Leader Aims to Get in Every Game.

CINCINNATI, February 12.-There was a time not so very long ago when most of the teams in the big show were managed by leaders who themselves played in almost every game unless disabled or chased by the umpire.

But never in base ball history has any distinction that has fallen to Charles "Buck" Herzog, leader of the Cincinnat To Herzog belongs the distinction of

being the only playing manager left out of all the flock of field commanders who were so prominent in the game until most recent days, and the peppery chief of the Red-hosed warriors, from all indications, will be the only playing manager commanding a team on the big time circuits during the 1916 season.

It is a foregone conclusion that Carrigan will work only a little, if at all, dur It is a foregone conclusion that Carrigan will work only a little, if at all, during the coming season.

With the few playing managers of 1915 thus consigned by their own decisions to the bench, Herxog remains alone, the one leader who can rightfully be styled such inasmuch as he proposes to play in every game of the 154, unless disabled or chased by the umpire.

#### Winston Defeats Dana for Squash Tennis Championship.

NEW YORK, February 12.-Eric Winston retained his title as nationa amateur squash tennis champion by defeating Addison Dana in the fina round of the championship tournament

### MRS. HURD A WINNER.

Defeats Miss Gates in St. Valentine Golf Tourney, 4 Up and 3.

PINEHURST, N. C., February 12,-Mrs. Dorothy Campbell Hurd of Pittsburgh won the St. Valentine golf tour ment for women here today, defeat. Miss Elinor Gates of Locust Val., Long Island, 4 up and 3 to play.

### VON KOLNITZ QUITS GAME.

### Cincinnati's Utility Player Retires

From Professional Base Ball. CHARLESTON, S. C., February 12. -Alfred von Kolnitz, who during the past two seasons was utility player for In the spring of 1912, when Griffith the Cincinnati National League club,



### ACOSTA WILL BE FARMED OUT TO THE MINORS TO DEVELOP

### Manager Griffith Figures Playing Regularly Will Make Cuban a Star - Ryan to Handle Pitchers in Early Training.

By J. ED GRILLO.

Baldemero Acosta, who for the past four seasons has been a league next season. The Cuban, who undoubtedly will make a major league player in due time, needs to be with some team where he can work regularly in order to attain his highest efficiency.

It is likely Acosta will be sent to Minneapolis for a year. There he will be able to a season. The Cuban, who undoubtedly will make a two weeks have made no change in the position of the teams, but the position of the teams, but the several years. They showed keen knowledge of the game, and the victories, while deserved by the Balticaling. These two teams meet to-morrow night, and if the Federals come he will be able to all the several years. They showed keen knowledge of the game, and the victories, while deserved by the Balticaling. These two teams meet to-morrow night, and if the Federals come member of the Griffmen, is to be given a chance to develop in a minor

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"The trouble with Acosta is that he works too hard when he is not in the game, and as a result he is all in when I want to use him," remarked Manager Griffith, in speaking of his intention to put the little Cuban with some club where he will be played every day.

"Playing every day, he will develop rapidly. When filling a utility role he tires himself out twice a day in practice and loses all his role he tires himself out twice a day in practice and loses all his stamina, so that he cannot do himself justice when I put him in the

"What he wants is steady work in the outfield; then he will get more speed and field well, and there is no doubt as to his hitting. I may send Acosta to Joe Cantillon and let him use him for a year on an optional agreement."

In the spring of 1912, when Griffith took charge of the team and went into training, he let out all the old players he thought he would be unable to use. He got rid of Gessier, Street and many of the players whom he does not intend to use, so that the young men he intends to play regularly will be at ease right from the outset of the training season.

the Cincinnati National League club.
took charge of the team and went into today announced his retirement from professional base ball. He has a contract to coach the Wofford College team of Spartanburg. Von Kolnitz is a lawyer here.

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Barber and Jamison will be given to came to the team, including Moeller,

Foot Ball at V. P. I. Jack Ingersoll of Dartmouth to coach the foot ball sound of

ANNAPOLIS, Md., February 12 .- The Naval Academy midshipmen won three out of four athletic events this afternoon. With a crippled wrestling team they defeated University of Pennsylvania, 21 points to 11. They opened their gymnastic season by winning from Rutgers, 371/2 to 161/2. In the swimming tank they defeated New York City College, 50 to 13. The only defeat was in fencing. New York Athletic Club swordsmen taking six of the nine bouts with foils and three of the four with sabers.

## AMATEURS SPLIT UP

Rupture in National Base Ball Association of America.

TWO BODIES NOW EXIST

### President of National Federation, New Organization.

after delegates to the annual meeting of the National Amateur Base Ball Asociation of America had split into two factions at the morning session. The new body, styling itself the National Amateur Base Ball Federation, elected C. E. Townes of Cleveland president It begins operations with a member ship of nine cities.

Loyal members of the old body at the same time held a meeting in a room adjoining that in which the federation was born, continued under the name of the National Amateur Base Ball Association of America and se lected Ralston Goss of Indianapolis emporary president and E. C. Seaton of Chicago secretary-treasurer. Ben Brumleve, Louisville, was elected first vice president and J. A. Jackel

Other officers installed by the federation were: C. W. Sturr, Cincinnati, irst vice president; Rondowe Abeken,

#### BUTLER BEST OF VISITORS

by Navy Quint, 26 to 21.

ELMER KNETZER

second half, but the Middles obtained vice president. a margin of points in the first stanza come. Conspicuous in the line-up of

Nicklas
G. Halstead
Butler
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Substitutes: Navy—Lockhart for Allan. Cree
cent Club—Beaver for Heath. Navy scoring
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Goals from court—Heath (3), Nickias (3), But
ler (2), G. Halstead, Goals from fouls—Nickia
(3). Referee—Mr. George Colliflower of George
town. Umpire—Mr. Arthur Wheatley of Annap
olis. Time of halves—20 minutes each.

### FEDERALS CRAWL UP.

Play Carlyles for Leadership in Noel House Basket Ball League. The games played in the Noel House

Basket Ball League during the past

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Jack Ingersoll to Coach

will take charge of the squad there late next fall.

#### Win at Wrestling, Gymnastics and Swimming, Lose at Fencing.

C. E. Townes of Cleveland Elected

LOUISVILLE, February 12.—A new national amateur baseball organiza-

Detroit, secretary-treasurer.

St. Louis, second vice president, an Thomas Nokes, Johnstown, Pa., secre

Next Meeting in Cincinnati. President Townes appointed a committee of five to draw up a constitution and by-laws and meet March 10 at Cin-Rew Yorkers Finish Strong, But
Fail to Overcome Early Margin of Middies.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

ANNAPOLIS. Md., February 12.—The basket ball team of the Crescent Athletic Club of New York, composed mostly of former college athletes, went down to defeat before the Annapolis Midshipmen in a rattling good game here this afternoon by a score of 26 to 21.

The New Yorkers put up a game fight and outplayed the sailor boys in the second half, but the Middies obtained with the followed immediately, as did that of second half, but the Middies obtained with the final resident for the account of the constitutional content of the March 11. The association did not select its next meeting place, and President Goss was given until February 22 to say whether he would continue to head the organization. In the event that he retains his office he will designate the time and place for the next meeting.

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### Present at the Meetings.

the Crescent quint was Butler, former the new federation were: Henry M. star foot ball man and all-round ath-the new federation were: Henry M. ginia man. The event was then star foot ball man and all-round athlete at Cornell. He played a splendid defensive game and got in some good work in the second half, when he shot two goals, one of which was from the center of the court. It was a remarkable heave, the ball striking on the outer edge of the basket, bounding about five feet in the air, and then falling squarely through the circle.

All of the Middles got into the scoring, although the brunt of the work in the distribution of the work all the meeting of the association.

Tufo, W. D. Bickford, Chicago; C. A. Browns, Toledo; R. S. Wombald, Columbus, James Mullarky, C. E. Townes, Cleveland; C. E. Martin, C. W. Sturr, Clincinnati; William App, Frank A. Reichert, Louisville; Rondowe Abeken, St. Louis; Tom Nokes, Johnstown, and Paul R. Purman, Des Moines.

W. F. Van Dusen, J. A. Jackel, Detroit; Dr. P. M. Seixes, Pittsburgh; E. G. Trautman, Columbus, and George Buechel and Ben. J. Brumleve of Louisville; in addition to Goss and Seaton, attended the meeting of the association.

John Hopkins Wins Meet. 

BALTIMORE, February 12.-Prof.

Theodore Kistler's basket ball teams

Washington,
Jacobson
King

Position. W.
Left forward.
Bight forward.
Center.
Right guard.
Left guard. THIRD TEAMS. Position.
Left forward.
Right forward.
Center
Right guard.
Left guard.

# VIRGINIA U. IS FIRST IN SOUTHERN RELAY

Charlottesville Team Takes Early Lead at Baltimore and Is Never Headed.

M.A.C. AND JOHNS HOPKINS FINISH SECOND AND THIRD

St. Alban's School Is Largest Point Winner in Scholastic Events. Many Close Finishes.

POINTS SCORED. Maryland Swimming Club.... S. A. L. A. A. EVENTS: Catholic University...... 10 Maryland Agric. College ..... Johns Hopkins University .... INTERSCHOLASTIC EVENTS: 

#### BY H. C. BYRD.

BALTIMORE, February 12 .-The University of Virginia won the southern relay championship here tonight in the track and field games held in the 5th Regiment Armory, defeating the Maryland Aggies and Johns Hopkins Uni-

Virginia took the lead on the

third. The second relay was close, with Chiman finishing Present at the meeting that organized about ten yards back of the Vir-

Johns Hopkins won the meet, its runners getting 22 points. The St. Alban's School was second in the point getting. while Georgetown, Maryland Aggles and Catholic University also cut into the scoring creditably.

LOCAL FRIENDS DEFEATED.

The work of the boys from St. Alban's was exceedingly good, not one of them falling to perform creditably. St. Alban's won two relays, got several firsts and some places and was a dangerous factor in all the events in which its men took part. The Columbia Athletic Club of Wash

Theodore Kistler's basket ball teams showed keen ability today in the local Friends' School gymnasium, when the Washington Friends were defeated in three of the most interesting games staged this season. The first five triumphed over the Washingtonians, 38 to 25; the second team won, 20 to 18, while the battle between the third quintet resulted in the local Quakers coming out on top by a count of 32 to 25.

The Washington school had the best teams it has sent to this city in several years. They showed keen knowledge of the game, and the victories, while deserved by the Baltimoreans, were not easy ones by any means. Line-ups and summaries:

FIRST TEAMS.

Baltimore. Position. Washington. Matthews. Left forward. Jacobson Owings. Bight forward. Elements of the converted the province of the position. Brown Booliss. Center Brown Booliss. Center Brown Booliss. Left gamed. Harrison Carter Buns Great Bace.

### Carter Runs Great Bace.

Carter of the St. Alban's School ran beautiful race in the 880 scholastic, timing his sprint on the last lap in great style. Carter started from scratch with a big field in front of him, but he was not daunted, and did not try to make up all the distance in the first two laps. It was not until near the end of the last lap that Carter cut loose. He then passed the other men in the event as if they were tied, and finished in front by ten yards at least. A wonderful quarter-mile run by Milstead on the last relay gave the Central High School of Washington a victory in the one-mile race with Episcopal High of Alexandria. Milstead started twenty yards behind the Episcopal runner, but caught him about 100 yards from the tape and finished five yards to the good by a strong sprint. Probably the most remarkable one-mile race that has ever been run in the South Atlantic intercollegiate Association took place in the next event, with Driscoll of Catholic University and (Continued on Second Page,)

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